

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
OVERSIGHT AND INVESTIGATIONS**

Tuesday, May 22, 2007 12:00 p.m. Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Oversight and Investigations was called to order by the Chair, Representative Tobocman.

Members present: Representatives Tobocman, Condino, Hood, Rick Jones, Horn.
Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Rick Jones moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, February 13, 2007. Without objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4800 before the committee:

HB 4800 Wenke	Retirement; state employees; pension benefits of reemployment of retired state employee; require to freeze during period of employment.
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Representative Wenke explained the intent of his bill.

The Chair laid HB 4801 and HB 4802 before the committee:

HB 4801 Ward	Taxation; other; income tax on certain pension benefits; modify.
HB 4802 Ward	Taxation; other; exemption of pensions from certain taxes; disallow.

Representative Ward explained the intent of his bills and answered questions from committee members.

Ellen Hoekstra from Capitol Services, representing the Retirement Coordinating Council and the Michigan Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems, testified in opposition to HB 4801 and HB 4802.

The Chair laid HB 4804, HB 4805, HB 4807, and HB 4809 before the committee:

HB 4804 Wenke	Public employees and officers; other; public employee access to health plan that is available to state employees; provide for.
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HB 4805 Wenke Public employees and officers; state; health care benefits for state employees; limit.

HB 4807 Wenke Retirement; municipal employees; Michigan retirement system; modify.

HB 4809 Wenke Public employees and officers; other; health care benefits for certain public employees; limit.

Representative Wenke explained the intent of the bills and answered questions by committee members.

The committee returned to the consideration of HB 4800, HB 4801, and HB 4802.

Representative Condino moved to report HB 4800 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 5-0-0.

Yeas: Representatives Tobocman, Condino, Hood, Rick Jones, Horn.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Hood moved to report HB 4801 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 3-2-0.

Yeas: Representatives Tobocman, Condino, Hood.

Nays: Representatives Rick Jones, Horn.

Pass: None.

Representative Condino moved to report HB 4802 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 3-2-0.

Yeas: Representatives Tobocman, Condino, Hood.

Nays: Representatives Rick Jones, Horn.

Pass: None.

Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, submitted a testimony card indicating support for the concept of HB 4800, HB 4801, and HB 4802.

Kim Rhead, representing the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel, submitted a testimony card indicating opposition to HB 4801 and HB 4802.

Nadine Nosal, representing the International Union, UAW, submitted a testimony card indicating opposition to HB 4801 and HB 4802.

The committee returned to the consideration of HB 4804, HB 4805, HB 4807, and HB 4809.

Todd Tennis, representing the Michigan State Employees Association, testified before the committee in opposition to HB 4805. Mr. Tennis also submitted written testimony.

Michael Moquin, representing the Municipal Employees Retirement System, testified before the committee in opposition to HB 4807.

Bill Anderson, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified on HB 4807.

Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, submitted a testimony card indicating support for the concept of HB 4804, HB 4805, HB 4807, and HB 4809.

Ellen Hoekstra from Capitol Services, representing the Michigan Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems, submitted a testimony card indicating opposition to HB 4807.

Kim Rhead, representing the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel, submitted a testimony card indicating opposition to HB 4805.

Nadine Nosal, representing the International Union, UAW, submitted a testimony card indicating opposition to HB 4804, HB 4805, HB 4807, and HB 4809.

With no further business before the committee, Representative Horn moved that the committee adjourn. There being no objection the Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Representative Steve Tobocman, Chair_____

Doug Simon, Committee Clerk
Oversight and Investigations Committee, (517) 373-0015